

ENTRY-LEVEL NON-CREDIT COURSES FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE

Effective September 1, 2003, the Department of Health and Family Services introduced redesigned non-credit courses that meet entry-level training requirements for licensed child care centers. These department approved non-credit courses meet the entry-level training requirements under Administrative Rules HFS 46 (Licensing Rules for Group Child Care Centers) and HFS 45 (Licensing Rules for Family Child Care Centers).

CLASS	CHILD CARE PROVIDERS IN A LICENSED FAMILY CENTER	ASSISTANT TEACHER IN A LICENSED GROUP CENTER	CHILD CARE TEACHER IN A LICENSED GROUP CENTER
Introduction to the Child Care Profession (replaced Early Childhood I)	Required (May be provided in 2 modules Module A and Module B. Both modules are required)	Required	Required
Fundamentals of Infant and Toddler Care (replaced Infant & Toddler)	Required within 6 months of beginning to care for children under 2 years of age.	Required within 6 months of beginning to care for child under 2 years of age.	Required within 6 months of beginning to care for children under 2 years of age.
Fundamentals of Family Childcare	Required	Not Required	Not Required
Skills and Strategies for the Child Care Teacher (replaced Early Childhood II)	Not Required	Not Required	Required

All agencies approved to offer DHFS approved entry level courses, including technical colleges and private agencies began using the new courses on September 1, 2003. Courses completed (or started) prior to September 1, 2003, will continue to be accepted to meet the entry level training requirements.

A list of private agencies approved to offer courses and other information that may be of interest to child care providers is available on the DHFS website http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/rl_dcfs/. Please contact your licensing specialist if you have any questions.